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Attn: Michael Marinelli

Comment to
AOR 2001-12

Re: Request for Advisory Opinion from the Democratic Party of Wisconsin
AOR 2001-12

Dear Mr. Marinelli:

The Elections Board would like to thank the Federal Elections Commission for the opportunity to respond to the request for an Advisory Opinion that the Commission received from the Democratic Party of Wisconsin. This letter is that response. This matter was raised and discussed at the Elections Board's September 13, 2001 meeting and the Board decided to not comment on the opinion. Notwithstanding its no-comment, the issue of federal pre-emption of state laws with respect to a political party who is a registrant with the State Elections Board, as well as with the FEC, is a matter of concern to some Board Members.

If you have any questions about the Board's declination to comment, or if I can be of any other assistance, please give me a call.

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